FISCAL NOTE

SB 2540 - HB 2577

February 23, 2002

SUMMARY OF BILL: Makes possession of more than five grams of ephedrine or more than nine grams of pseudoephedrine in combination with two or more objects of drug paraphernalia prima facie evidence that a person intended to manufacture amphetamine or methamphetamine.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

 $Increase\ State\ Expenditures\ -\ \$71,500/Incarceration^*$

Assumes five convictions for a Class C felony each year.

*Section 9-4-210, TCA, requires that: For any law enacted after July 1, 1986, which results in a net increase in periods of imprisonment in state facilities, there shall be appropriated from recurring revenues the estimated operating cost of such law. The amount appropriated for operating cost, in current dollars, shall be based upon the highest cost of the next 10 years, beginning with the year the additional sentence to be served impacts the correctional facilities population.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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